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SUBJ: FURTHER ON CONGO SITUATION

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1. QUAI DEPUTY DIRECTOR FOR AFRICA DE LA ROCHERE TOLD US MAR 19 THAT AT NOON, THE CONGOLESE CHARGE IN PARIS INFORMED THE FRENCH THAT MAJOR DENIS SASSOU-NGUESSO HEADS THE ELEVEN-MEMBER MILITARY COMMITTEE OF THE PCT WHICH RULES THE COUNTRY. THE QUAI INDICATES THAT HE WAS MEMBER OF THE POLITICAL BUREAU OF THE PCT AND SECRETARY OF THE PERMANENT COMMISSION TO THE ARMY IN THE SECRETARIAT OF THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE.

2. THE BRAZZAVILLE PRESS HAS ANNOUNCED THAT THE ASSASSINATION SQUAD WAS LED BY EX-CAPTAIN BARTHELEMY KIKADIDI, DIRECTOR GENERAL OF THE NATIONAL ADMINISTRATION.
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TION FOR PALMOIL TREE PLANTATIONS, WHO HAS ESCAPED WITH HIS THREE OR FOUR CO-CONSPIRATORS. HE IS DESCRIBED AS BEING FROM THE NORTH AND THE QUAI IS TRYING TO VERIFY WHETHER HE IS FROM FULBERT YOLOU'S TRIBE.

3. A ONE-MONTH PERIOD OF NATIONAL MOURNING HAS BEEN DECLARED IN THE CONGO. THIS FACT, PLUS THE APPARENTLY

CLOSE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN NGOUABI AND SASSOU-NGUESSO, HAVE LED THE QUAI TO THE VERY TENTATIVE CONCLUSION THAT THE NEW REGIME WILL FOLLOW THE SAME ORIENTATION AS ITS PREDECESSOR, AT LEAST FOR THE MOMENT. ON THE BASIS OF THE FEW FACTS THEY HAVE IN HAND, THE QUAI ALSO BELIEVES THAT THERE IS NO RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE ASSASSINATION AND CURRENT HAPPENINGS IN ZAIRE AND CABINDA. BUT OUR SOURCES UNDERSCORE THAT THESE ARE STILL ONLY INITIAL IMPRESSIONS.
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